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Pilot study on Distribution and Commercial Losses
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry conducted any pilot study to separate data for Technical and Distribution Losses from commercial losses;

(b) if so, the details of the pilot study and the data received during the same and the percentage of Technical and Distribution Losses in total (AT&C);

(c) if not, the reasons therefor for delay in conducting the pilot study; and

(d) the steps being taken by the Union Government to minimise the losses to the maximum possible extent?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER,
COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) : Yes, Madam. Power Finance Corporation (PFC), the nodal agency for operationalizing Integrated Power Development Scheme (IPDS), has conducted a pilot study for segregation of commercial losses from overall Aggregate Technical and Commercial Losses (AT&C).

(b) & (c) : The study was conducted in ten towns namely Shimla (HP), Bhopal (MP), Dehradun (Uttarakhand), Bhatapara (Chhattisgarh), Kolkata UA(WB), Panchkula (Haryana), Hyderabad UA (Telangana), Visakhapatnam (AP), Navi Mumbai (Maharashtra) and Ahmadabad (Gujarat) from November 2015 to February 2016. To minimize the effect of seasonal variations, cumulative AT&C losses figures for the past 12 months were taken. The details of study results are given at Annex.

(d) : The responsibility of reduction of AT&C losses in the Distribution network is primarily with the Discoms and power departments/utilities. However, to facilitate the reduction of AT&C losses and to improve power distribution system, the Government has launched various programmes/schemes such as Integrated Power Development Scheme (IPDS), Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY), National Electricity Fund (NEF) and Ujwal DISCOM Assurance Yojana (UDAY). Emphasis has also been given for porting urban and rural feeder energy data on an online platform so that loss pockets can be identified easily.

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